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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - NORTHWEST AIRLINES AIR FARES

REF: STATE 117252

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED MAY 9 NOTE FROM SWEDISH MINISTRY FOR
FOREIGN AFFAIRS SUBSTANTIVE PORTIONS OF WHICH FOLLOW:
"BY LETTER DATED APRIL 21, 1978 (FILE RES AP8 510) NORTHWEST
AIRLINES, INC. (NORTHWEST) HAS FILED WITH THE SWEDISH BOARD OF
CIVIL AVIATION NEW ATLANTIC BARGAIN FARES BETWEEN VARIOUS
UNITED STATES POINTS ON THE ONE HAND AND STOCKHOLM ON THE OTHER
IN CONNECTION WITH THE INAUGURATION OF NEW TRANSATLANTIC
SERVICES ON JUNE 8, 1978. NORTHWEST HAS REQUESTED APPROVAL
THE BOARD ON APRIL 25, 1978.

"AFTER A PRELIMINARY STUDY OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN
THE APPLICATION THE BOARD HAS CONCLUDED THAT THE PRO-
POSED FARES CANNOT BE PROPERLY EVALUATED BECAUSE THE
APPLICATION IS INCOMPLETE AND LACKS CLARITY IN RELATION
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TO, INTER ALIA, COMBINATION RULES, STANDBY PROCEDURES
AND CAPACITY LIMITATIONS. THE BOARD HAS NOTED THAT THE
NORTHWEST FILINGS MADE IN SCANDINAVIA DIFFER FROM THOSE
MADE WITH THE UNITED STATES CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD.

"THE BOARD WILL TAKE A FINAL STAND ON THE PROPOSED
FARES AFTER HAVING GIVEN THEM FULL CONSIDERATION IN THE

LIGHT OF THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED BY THE APPLICANT.

"IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS IN ARTICLE 13 OF THE AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT BETWEEN SWEDEN AND THE UNITED STATES FORMAL NOTICE OF DISSATISFACTION WITH THE BARGAIN FARES PROPOSED BY NORTHWEST IS HEREBY GIVEN."

2. EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED NOTE WITH MFA OFFICIAL WHO SAYS THAT GOS HAS NOT REJECTED NWA'S PROPOSED FARES BUT WISHES MORE INFORMATION CONCERNING THEM. MFA OFFICIAL BELIEVES THAT NWA OFFICERS WILL BE CALLED TO COPENHAGEN AND STOCKHOLM FOR CLARIFYING DISCUSSIONS. ONLY AFTER THOSE DISCUSSIONS HAVE TAKEN PLACE WILL GOS DECIDE WHETHER TO ACCEPT OR REJECT NWA'S PROPOSED FARE SCHEDULE. ADVISE IF EMBASSY SHOULD TAKE FURTHER ACTION PENDING OUTCOME TALKS GOS-NWA.

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